



MONDAY EVENING, SEPT. 21, 1908.

Mr. Roosevelt's persistence in attempting to foil Mr. Taft upon the people of this country no less than becoming offensive and an insult to the intelligence of voters in both the democratic and republican parties. The latest exhibition of his effrontery is his letter to Wm. B. McKinley, chairman of the republican congressional committee, in which he appeals to disinterested citizens to join with the national republican committee and the congressional committee in a movement to elect Wm. H. Taft as president and a republican congress to support him. The president declares that Mr. Taft and the republican candidates for congress seek election on a platform which specifically pledges the party to continue and develop the policies which have been acted upon for seven years past. Among other things Mr. Roosevelt says:

It is urgently necessary, from the standpoint of the public interest, to elect Mr. Taft, and a republican congress which will support him; and they seek election on a platform which specifically pledges the party, alike in its executive and legislative branches, to continue and develop the policies which have been acted upon during these seven years. To fail to elect Mr. Taft would be a calamity to the country.

It seems that among Mr. Roosevelt's weak points is the assumption of infallibility. He is vain enough to suppose that the salvation of the nation depends upon the perpetuation of policies he has conceived. His appeals to the people to elect Taft are making him cheap in the eyes of all.

Last week was Bryan's week in the east, and as the veteran campaigner swept across Ohio and West Virginia and was greeted by huge audiences of his admirers in the populous cities of Baltimore, Wilmington, Philadelphia, New York and smaller intermediate points he appeared to fairly exude confidence with his expansive smile and aggressive attack on the enemy's positions. He displayed his customary cleverness at repartee in the press interview duel with Mr. Taft. Mr. Bryan had the satisfaction of seeing the New York state convention of his party name unanimously Chandler K. Governor. Later he charged the steel trust with having obtained immunity by financing the republican campaign this year.

The Indianapolis Star, the state organ of the republican party, in an editorial virtually concedes Indiana to the democrats. Commenting on the result of the special elections held on Thursday to fill vacancies in the legislature, it says: "All of the elements tending toward democratic gains were out in full force in the contests, which brought the republican plurality in Delaware county down from 2,334 to 272, and in one district supplanted a republican by a democrat. If these two elections are trustworthy indices of the state at large, Indiana will elect Marshall as its governor and a democratic legislature to choose the successor to Senator Hawley."

With the nomination of a strong state ticket and a united party Delaware democracy is preparing for the liveliest political campaign that the state has witnessed for years. Judging by the immense outpouring at the Bryan meetings, both at Harrington and in Wilmington, and the large gathering at the ratification meeting at Brandywine Springs Park, the democrats are aroused as they have not been for years. At the state convention more democratic lawyers, young and old, were present than ever before, and the democratic politicians will be turned loose in all parts of the state. Democracy feels sure of Delaware.

SENATOR FORAKER is down and out. His elimination from the republican national campaign is complete. To permit him to appear upon the national stamp would be suicidal for the republican party, in view of the revelations as to his connection with the Standard Oil, and Mr. Foraker, realizing this, has voluntarily eliminated himself in letters just made public.

From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

Washington, Sept. 21. Disappointment with the management of the republican campaign is responsible for the disposition of Chairman Frank H. Hitchcock and the substitution of Senator Murray L. Crane, as the real leader of the republican forces. Hitchcock will remain nominally chairman of the national committee, and his organization will remain intact, but the guidance of the campaign will hereafter be in the hands of the older and more experienced politicians on the advisory committee. The decision that there must be a change in the management of the campaign was reached at the meeting of the advisory committee, which was held at the national headquarters in New York on the 10th instant. It was the first meeting of this committee, despite the fact that it had been organized several weeks earlier, for the express purpose of advising with the chairman, as to the

conduct of the fight. Tired of waiting for Mr. Hitchcock to call them in consultation and becoming alarmed at the unsatisfactory condition of the party, and the apparent indifference and apathy which had marked the republican campaign up to that time, its members arranged for a conference on their own responsibility. Then ensued a review of the whole situation, the result of which greatly disturbed the practical politicians in the party. They were unimpressed in their criticism of the chairman and the upshot of the matter was that Mr. Hitchcock there and then offered to resign. This proposition was rejected at once, because it was recognized that it would be a tactical blunder at this stage. It was from that meeting, however, that has grown the determination to put practical men in charge for the balance of the campaign.

A noteworthy group of speakers will take part in the opening of the exhibit of the International Tuberculosis Congress, the formal sessions of which will be held next week. It will be "Municipal and Government Day" and Secretary Straus, Secretary Wright, Governor Swanwick, of Virginia; Governor Orin, of Maryland, and District Commissioner Macfarland, together with former Surgeon General Sternberg, will make addresses. The exhibits form the most comprehensive display of what means the great nations of the world are taking to war against tuberculosis, that has ever been assembled. More than a million lives is the annual world toll of the scourge, and the exhibits here are intended as an educational adjunct to the congress itself, that preventive measures and the proper care of those stricken with the dread disease may be brought to the attention of the public. The formal opening of the congress, at which Secretary Cortelyou will preside, will occur next Monday.

On October 2, President Roosevelt will receive the delegates at the White House. Seldom has a government official handed out to his subordinates so severe an exhortation as that delivered today by Comptroller of the Currency Murray at a conference with the national bank examiners stationed at points east of the Mississippi river, who had been called together here for the purpose of instituting reforms in the service. "I say to you emphatically," declared the comptroller, in opening the meeting, "that your work must be improved. Embezzlements have failed of discovery; defalcations and dishonesty have been concealed from you and in many cases you have failed to correctly, or even approximately, estimate the value of the paper and securities held by the bank. There is too much disposition on the part of examiners to increase their compensation at the expense of the thoroughness and reliability of their work."

Spick and span, with a new coat of paint inside and out and the roof artistically tinted a natural green color, the White House awaits the arrival of President Roosevelt and the presidential family from Oyster Bay tomorrow. The fall housecleaning has been in progress since early in the summer. It is considered likely that a special cabinet meeting will be called for Wednesday, although not all of the department heads have returned to town.

I. H. Rohme has been appointed postmaster at Onley, Stafford county, Va., vice Robert H. Fetter, resigned.

Because he stole from a fellow soldier two bronze letters worth fourteen cents Private Fred E. Peterson, of Battery E, 4th Field Artillery, has just been sentenced by a general court martial to confinement at hard labor for a period of three months and forfeiture of \$10 per month of his pay during that time.

Virginia News.

Clinton A. Bowen, a Winchester lawyerman, died suddenly at his home there Saturday evening, aged 40 years. Mr. Bowen was apparently perfectly well a few hours before his death.

Miss Elizabeth Stone died at the home of her brother, W. F. Stone, in Warren, Saturday afternoon. Miss Stone was in the 75th year of her age, and was the eldest child of the late Richard H. Stone and Susan Evans Stone.

Charlottesville's supplementary reservoir, just completed at a cost of \$165,000, has been accepted by the city. Mountains and high hills surround the basin, furnishing an almost unlimited water shed, and providing natural bulwarks to the reservoir.

Mrs. Lucille S. Bradley, widow of James H. Bradley, died at her home in Fredericksburg Saturday morning of congestion of the lungs, aged 90 years. Mrs. Bradley was very active during the civil war in behalf of the Confederate cause. At one time the federal authorities offered a reward of \$1,000 for her capture. She was a native of Orange county.

The Virginia Portland Cement Company, one of the largest industries in the Staunton section, closed Saturday and will not resume work for about three months. The plant is located at Fordwick, about ten miles from Staunton. Five hundred men are put out of employment. The company has on hand enough cement to supply all present demands.

Arriving ship masters at Norfolk report that a dense haze envelops the southern coast from Cape Henry to Florida. So dense is the haze that the sun is often obscured. Experienced mariners pronounce it the thickest and most extensive haze they have observed on that coast for many years. They think it has been created by smoke blown out to sea from forest fires. This haze is observable from Cape Henry and Virginia Beach.

A movement has been started in Richmond to induce George B. Davis, superintendent of the City Home, to withdraw his resignation, which followed the death of an infant from poison some weeks ago. A committee of councilmen will call upon the retiring superintendent this week and ask him to reconsider his determination to sever his connection with the institution and serve another term as its head.

John R. Chalkley, one of the oldest engineers on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, was instantly killed; Robert Walker, the fireman, was badly injured and the baggage master was hurt, when the fast train plying between Newport News and Richmond left the rails, near Lotts, Saturday morning. The engine turned over, crushing the life out of the engineer, who shot off steam and applied the emergency brakes before the engine toppled over upon him. The passengers were badly shaken up. Only the engine and baggage car left the rails.

Plans are being prepared by S. E. Paer, architect, of Ovington, for a modern hotel to be built at the famous old health resort of White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. The main structure will be reinforced brick with blue stone trim-

ings. Steam heat, electric lights, cold storage, steam laundry, &c., will be installed. Rooms will be arranged in suits of private parlor, chamber and bath. This lobby will be 100 feet long, with two rows of large Corinthian columns and paneled ceilings finished in pure white. The hotel will be known as the Palace Hotel.

The most cordial feelings of friendship formed the keynote of the visit of Gov. Stuart and the Pennsylvanians to Winchester, Saturday, when a monument to Pennsylvania soldiers who fell in the battles of Winchester was unveiled in the national cemetery. Confederate veterans mingled with men who wore the blue, and as each speaker paid tribute to both sides the cheers of the union and Confederate soldiers blended as one. The address of welcome, delivered by Robert T. Barton, former mayor of Winchester, was one of the features of the dedication. Gov. Stuart was the orator of the day.

News of the Day.

The hurricane along the Bahamas Islands last week blew away houses and caused great damage to the town of St. Matthew, on the island of Inagua.

The Central Telephone building and post-office at Paris were completely destroyed by fire last night. The loss is estimated at about \$5,000,000.

Dr. Frank Huntington Snow, entomologist, and formerly chancellor of the University of Kansas, died at Beltsville, Wis., yesterday, aged 65 years. He was a native of Pittsburg, Mass.

Minnie Heininger, of York, Pa., while in a jealous rage, threw carbolic acid in the face of her lover, John Chambers, yesterday. The man's face was badly burned.

An imposing Anglo-German workmen's peace demonstration was held in Berlin yesterday. Some 20,000 German workmen gathered to welcome a delegation representing the British workmen.

Mr. Charles B. Roberts, who was shot on the Boardwalk at Atlantic City on August 26 last, was able to sit up for one hour yesterday in a reclining chair.

The Scherr leaders in West Virginia announce that they are willing to withdraw their candidate from the gubernatorial fight providing the Swisher faction will agree to certain conditions.

Miss Elizabeth Nicol, aged 17 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nicol, of Marysville, O., died Saturday after a few days' illness of peritonitis, which was caused by an ulcerated tooth.

Clint O. Hest, formerly a real estate dealer and promoter of Denver, Col., Saturday night was found guilty of embezzlement of \$8,500 from Mrs. Mary Husted, of New York. The verdict carries sentence of one to ten years in the penitentiary.

A party of 200 sailors from the American battle ships Maine and Alabama, which are now at Naples, arrived in Rome yesterday and were presented to the pope by Mr. Kennedy, rector of the American College.

Major General Luard, who committed suicide in London because of a rumor that he was responsible for his wife's death, was absolved from all connection with the murder by the coroner's verdict.

Lester Brees, who escaped from Mount Hope Reformatory last Thursday and was taken to Baltimore by Frank Brown, jr., son of the former governor, was paroled by Judge Duncan until today when he will go to Towson and make his request for freedom to Judge Burke, who signed the order committing him last July.

From the Canadian woods and the forests of Maine down through the Adirondack region to the Outkills and beyond to the Pennsylvania lumber regions fires are burning. Reports from the woods of Maine and Pennsylvania and from the Adirondacks in New York state indicate that the fires are progressing and spreading.

Edward T. Coles last night placed a chair up against the window of his room in an apartment house and took a flying leap to the courtyard, five stories below. When the surgeon got around from Flower Hospital he found that almost every bone in the man's body was broken.

Frederick L. Roswell, 32 years old, a clerk in the employ of the Siegel Manufacturing Company, of Bridgeport, Conn., his wife and their two children, May and Edward, 7 and 8 years old, were drowned Saturday in Long Island Sound off the Stratford breakwater, after a desperate struggle, following the capsizing of a boat.

William J. Bryan, democratic candidate for president, was a guest of Alton B. Parker at luncheon yesterday at Rosemont, Esopus. He was accompanied by Governor Jennings, of Florida. They arrived at about 12 o'clock, where Mr. Bryan visited David B. Hill at Wolfert's Root. No others were present at Judge Parker's home.

Miss Jane Elizabeth Smith, aged 28, one of the most accomplished women of Pittsburg, linguist and graduate of Vassar College, daughter of Dr. Henry Smith, a wealthy age physician, and sister of John H. Smith, president of the Electric Age Publishing Company, of New York, committed suicide yesterday at Pittsburg, by taking carbolic acid.

Declaring that the republican party is owned, body and soul, by the dominant power represented by Speaker Cannon in the House and by a coterie of rich malefactors in the Senate, John W. Kern, the democratic candidate for the vice presidency, Saturday night opened his eastern speaking campaign before an enthusiastic audience at Westminster, Md. The controlling element of the republican party, he said, was stronger than that party and considerably stronger even than Roosevelt. Roosevelt, he declared, has been unable to accomplish a single reform except by compromise with the dominant power.

Surrounded by gravestones, with the grave of the bride's father as the altar, a weird marriage ceremony took place Saturday at Fort Worth, Texas, when James O'Brien and Miss Mattie Clark were made man and wife in the German cemetery by a Methodist clergyman. Both bride and bridegroom are from Trinity, Texas, where the bridegroom, who is 40 years old, is a wealthy merchant, and the bride is heiress to a \$10,000 estate. No other reason is given for the selection of such a strange wedding place other than that it was a

whim of the bride, who believed she was honoring the memory of her father by so doing. Her father was a wealthy cattleman of west Texas. They left for Chicago and New York on a honeymoon trip.

Under the very eyes of her mistress, who suspected nothing, a clever servant girl, it is charged, walked out of the home of John E. Marsden, in West Philadelphia, Saturday, with an apron full of jewelry valued at \$5,000. The girl came to Mrs. Marsden on Thursday and applied for a place as a servant. She gave her name as Mary Kelly. Mrs. Marsden engaged her and she began to work immediately. As Mrs. Marsden stood on the porch Saturday seeing her son off to school the girl, dressed in street attire, passed out of the house. Mrs. Marsden noticed the apron tied in a bundle under her arm and asked where she was going. She said she was going to post a letter. As time passed and the girl did not appear, Mrs. Marsden went upstairs and examined the safe, finding that all the jewelry was gone. There is no clue to the whereabouts of the girl.

The house in Verona, Italy, pointed out as the home of Juliet Capulet was completely destroyed by fire yesterday.

Thousands of deer, moose, bears, and other animals of the north woods are being driven into the towns and protected places in St. Louis, Lake, and Ocala counties, Minn., by the forest fires.

Mrs. Hannah M. Corbin, of New York, widow of Anita Corbin, formerly president of the Long Island Railroad, died suddenly at her summer residence at Newport, N. H., last yesterday, of heart disease.

Bertha Duckworth, the 14-year-old daughter of George Duckworth, formerly of Cumberland, was drowned in the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, near North Branch, six miles below Cumberland, Saturday evening, where she had gone to visit her father.

Gov. Haskell, of Oklahoma, has replied to William R. Hearst, declaring as false the statement that during the year 1899 when Attorney General Monnett, of Ohio, had several cases pending in the Supreme Court of that state the governor sought to influence him to dismiss those suits.

Persons staying at the Hotel Martha Washington, New York, Saturday, were surprised when they heard that Mrs. H. T. Norwood, who is 80 years old, had visited Coney Island and spent five hours of one day there seeing the sights. Mrs. Norwood, who is a granddaughter of Francis Scott Key, author of "The Star Spangled Banner," went to the Hotel Martha Washington several days ago from her home in Arkansas.

Today's Telegraphic News

Big Fire in Chelsea.

Chelsea, Mass., Sept. 21.—The portion of Chelsea spared by the great conflagration of last winter is being swept this morning by another fire which now bids fair to rival the former one. Although the first alarm did not go in until 8:15, by 9 o'clock sixteen houses and a large box and shoe case factory had been destroyed by the flames which are absolutely beyond control. The fire broke out in the square bounded by Sixth and Vales streets, Everett avenue and the Boston and Maine Railroad, the police believe from incendiary origin.

The whole square was soon in flames with the fire threatening to jump Vales street, which is only twenty feet wide. The apparatus sent to fight the blaze was driven out by the heat. Bursting hose and the disabling of two engines so crippled the local department that the firemen sent in a general alarm and an appeal for aid to adjoining cities. Charleston and East Boston were the first outside departments to respond.

The big three story wooden structure of Atwood and McManus, box manufacturers was the first to go, the 250 employees being obliged to flee for their lives. At 9:30 Kelly Brothers' shoe factory and Pupe & Co's lumber yard were in flames and evidently due for destruction. The big factories of the Lee Brothers and Walton and Logan, adjoining the burning box factory, were in imminent danger.

The residents of the tenement district in the path of the flames are moving their household goods. All the telephone wires are down.

The firemen have succeeded in keeping the flames from crossing Vales street and Everett avenue and it is now spreading along the State Boulevard. Since last winter's conflagration left this thoroughfare practically bare of buildings, it is probable that the fire will soon be checked unless the wind changes.

A shift in the 25-mile wind which kept the flames away from the manufacturing district and swept them toward the area laid waste by the \$8,000,000 fire of last winter, where there was nothing more to burn, saved Chelsea today from another conflagration which for two hours threatened to wipe what the former blaze had spared. But before the flames were under control they had devastated thirteen acres and caused about \$1,000,000 damage.

Republicans Want Money.

New York, Sept. 21.—"Money, money," is the cry around republican headquarters and the lack of it is believed to be largely responsible for the late opening of the campaign in the east. If there should be a show down today it is probable that it would be found that the democratic national committee is better supplied with campaign cash than the republican committee. This remarkable situation is a complete reversal of conditions prevailing the last two presidential fights.

It is a fact that the business leaders and "captains of industry" who have heretofore cheerfully contributed their thousands to the republican cause are very slow in coming forward this year. Treasurer Geo. R. Sheldon confesses that he is considerably discouraged over the financial outlook, men who used to be relied upon for \$500 contributions are now coming forward with checks for \$50 or even smaller amounts. One reason for this is the enactment of the law prohibiting corporations from making campaign contributions. There is no question that the corporation are availing themselves of this excuse and are keeping in their own coffers the money which in former years they felt bound to contribute. There is a disposition in some quarters to blame Chairman Hitchcock for the scarcity of funds and for the resultant lack of campaign activity.

Albert Filley was hanged at Kingston, N.Y., today for the murder of his wife, brother and baby a year ago.

Senator Foraker.

Cincinnati, Sept. 21.—Although self-eliminated from the campaign of Mr. Taft for president, Senator Foraker has not withdrawn his candidacy for re-election to the Senate. He will fight independent of party organization to succeed himself, and will offer a defense to the people of Ohio against the exposures of the Archbold letters. Foraker will launch his personal fight for re-election at once.

Foraker's stand has brought panic to the republican state leaders. They fear that with Foraker remaining openly in the fight for re-election, both the state and national tickets will also be in danger. Senator Dick who came here by request of Foraker failed to adjust the situation favorably to Foraker.

Foraker's first concession was when he sent Wm. H. Taft a copy of a letter to John Hayes Hammond, withdrawing as praying officer and a speaker at the convention of the national league of republican clubs to be held in Cincinnati tomorrow. Senator Crane had learned, though possibly not from Taft himself, that Foraker's presence at the convention would not be acceptable to the presidential candidates.

Foraker has sent formal notice to National Chairman Hitchcock and Ohio Chairman Williams, cancelling the speaking dates to which he had been assigned.

The attitude of Taft is apparently contained in his statement that: "If it would make me all the votes in the country, I would not strike a man who is down."

Foraker is apparently to be left free of censure from the present head of the republican party. Neither Taft nor Foraker will break their policy of absolute silence on the Foraker sensation.

The Cholera.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 21.—Premier M. Stolypin personally assumed charge of the cholera situation in the Russian capital today. His first act was to remove a number of incompetent officers and create new sanitary districts, each under the supervision of a doctor of recognized ability.

The premier has also ordered a restriction in the sale of all liquors. To meet the crying needs of the hospitals, the city has voted five hundred thousand roubles. Another appropriation will have to be made to clean up the city unless martial law is declared and the soldiers put to work.

Cholera has broken out in many jails and prisons in St. Petersburg and other affected cities and will probably result in the liberation of many prisoners. All attempts to minimize the extent of the disease have been abandoned. New cases are developing at the rate of four hundred a day and the percentage of deaths is steadily increasing.

Forest Fires.

Milwaukee, Wis., Sept. 21.—Hundreds of people living in northern Wisconsin today are fighting the forest fires which destroyed the towns of Gagen and Woodboro yesterday and threaten to envelop the little town of Rhinelander.

The mayor of the latter town has asked the assistance of the Milwaukee fire department and today probably will ask Gov. Davidson to send a regiment of militia to take charge of the situation.

Refugees are crowding into Rhinelander from Woodboro and Gagen. The fire is a new one and did not have its origin in the fires which recently devastated parts of Minnesota and Wisconsin. It started in the woods outside of Woodboro and spread like lightning. The inhabitants of Woodboro and Gagen fought the flames all day but in vain.

Rhinelander was temporarily saved by a sudden veering of the wind late last night.

Big Strike.

Manchester, England, Sept. 21.—All hope of avoiding a paralyzing strike in the cotton industry and all allied trades was abandoned today when 400 cotton mills closed down. The shut-down came as a result of the rejection by 130,000 cotton mill employees of the operative's proposal of a five per cent. cut in wages. Not only those 130,000 workmen are now on strike, but thousands in the allied trades are locked out by the order of trades unions. It is estimated that the total number who will be thrown out of employment as a result of the cotton workers' strike will reach 1,200,000 and that the world's production of cotton goods will be cut in two.

Fire in Paris.

Paris, Sept. 21.—Paris is suffering untold inconveniences today as the result of the destruction of the main telephone exchange and the postoffice building in a fire that broke out last night.

Twenty-five thousand telephone lines were destroyed, affecting all the newspapers, banks, commercial houses and ministries. The loss from the fire will be \$5,000,000 and another heavy loss will result from the interruption to business. Hundreds of men and boys and girls have been impressed into service as messengers. It will be at least a month before the telephone system can be restored. There was also an \$800,000 fire yesterday in a department store in the Faubourg St. Denis.

Result of Carelessness.

Lisbon, Sept. 21.—Seven persons are dead at Nollita today and two score injured, as the result of carelessness on the part of an attendant at the bull fighting ring. The enclosure holding twenty-two bulls was thrown open by mistake and the maddened animals charged among the spectators. Soldiers killed ten of the bulls, the others escaping into the country.

DIED.

On Saturday, September 19, 1908, at "Valley Farm," Fairfax county, Mrs. SUSAN WEBSTER, wife of Jas. F. Webster, Funeral at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday from St. Mary's Church. Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

LETTER TO M. RUBEN & SONS.

Alexandria, Va.

Dear Sirs: Words are only on the surface they may be true or false. The point is, what's behind them. We prove what is behind Devoe. Every job paid Devoe takes less gallens than of any other paint. Here's the proof. Paint half your job Devoe, the other half whatever you like. If the Devoe half doesn't take less gallens, no pay. That's the truth behind the paint. Yours truly,

F. W. DEVOE & CO. P. S.—E. S. Leadbetter & Sons sell our paint. 110

Found on a Cliff.

London, Sept. 21.—An air of mystery surrounded the nature of the accident that befell Miss Violet Aquilth, daughter of Premier Aquilth, who after an all night search, was found by a searching party unconscious on the brink of a high cliff near Straine castle, in Scotland. The family would give out no statement today. Miss Aquilth strolled out to the cliff Saturday but she did not return at night. Some say that the girl was attacked, others that she fell and injured herself and still others that she became unconscious from exhaustion.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEVITIES.

Gustav Eberhardt, accused of the murder of his aunt, Otilie Eberhardt, near Bochell Park on July 18, was placed on trial at Hackensack, N. J., today.

Malaria has gripped New York city in the last four months as never before, according to the Health Department, but it is not of a virulent type.

The loss of the entire negro vote by the liberals in Cuba in the coming national election, is practically assured today as a result of last night's attack by a mob of liberals on a mass meeting of negroes in Havana.

A step toward reorganization of the Pinsky-Washburn Flour Milling Company, of Minneapolis, which recently went into the hands of a receiver, is expected to be taken at a meeting of the various interests in Chicago today.

Frowning upon membership of its employees in labor unions, the Lackawanna Railroad Company has discharged from its service the members of the grievance committee of the switchmen's union for the system. The dismissal will likely precipitate a labor war.

With cholera cases developing in Manila at the rate of sixty a day and with one-third of the cases fatal, this week will determine whether the visit of the American fleet to Manila will be any more than a formal entrance in the harbor.

Harry Thaw's attorney today opened his fight for a jury trial as to his sanity before Supreme Court Justice Mills, at White Plains, N. Y. District Attorney Jerome is opposing all efforts to re-open the case. The matter was postponed until Saturday.

Dissatisfied with \$25,000 a year allowance made her by her husband since their separation, Mrs. Catherine Clemens Gould today applied to Judge Diegel in New York for an order directing Howard Gould to pay her \$10,000 a month pending the trial of her suit for a legal separation. Mr. Gould's lawyers oppose the application and obtained an adjournment until October 1.

That the request made upon the Shah by England and Russia for a renewal of the Persian constitution has met with an insistent refusal it was authoritatively learned today from the Foreign Office in London. Not until the Persian revolution is completely crushed, the Shah says in his answer, will he consider the question of giving his people a constitution, such as that granted the people of Turkey by the Sultan.

David B. Hill will support the democratic state and national tickets, was the statement Wm. J. Bryan made at Rochester, N. Y., today after a conference at "Wolfert Root," last night. He declined to say whether Hill would take the stump. When asked the result of the conference with Judge Parker, Bryan replied: "He is supporting the ticket and will do so from the stump."

Five deaths will probably result from a battle fought near West Plains, Mo., between a sheriff's posse and John Roberts and his wife, mountaineers. For five hours the posse strayed the horse, only capturing it, after both inmates had been fatally injured. Sheriff Mooney received wounds from which he died this morning and Max and John Lowery, deputy sheriffs, received wounds which will probably cause death. Roberts is accused of riding to the home of Abe Kessinger, a neighbor, Saturday night and shooting him.

Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup is especially recommended for children. It tastes nearly as good as maple sugar. Sold by W. F. Creighton & Co.

MEETINGS.

ANNUAL MEETING.—Pursuant to the by-laws and order of the Board of Directors, the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the NATIONAL AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM COMPANY, of Washington, D. C., will be held at the Hotel Fleischmann, Alexandria, Va., on THURSDAY, the 8th day of October, 1908, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as shall properly come before the meeting. The transfer books will be closed at 4 o'clock p. m. October 1st, 1908, and remain closed until after said meeting, Sept 21 2c J. W. FROST, Secretary.

THE annual meeting of the stockholders of THE DEWEY REDUCTION CORPORATION will be held at the office of the corporation, No. 107 North Fairfax street, Alexandria, Va., at 2 p. m., FRIDAY, October 2, 1908. CHAS. W. DRAPER, Secretary.

THE annual meeting of the stockholders of WASHINGTON BREWERY COMPANY will be held at the office of said company, No. 128 South Fairfax street, Alexandria, Virginia, on MONDAY, October 5, 1908, at 3 o'clock p. m. S. ERLICH, Secretary.

Opening of the Oyster Season.

— AT THE —

Bohraus Cafe,

111 South Columbus Street.

MEALS AT ALL HOURS. MEAL TICKETS.

FAMILY ORDERS PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO. Sept 19 2c

JEWELERS.

The pinnacle of time excellence is reached through the

Acton Precision Watch.

R. C. Acton & Sons, Jewelers, Silvermiths and Engravers.

FRESH COWS FOR SALE. STACY H. SNOWDEN, Snowden Station, Fairfax county, Va. Sept 19 3c

Literary Boston was stirred today by the news that the long missing manuscript of "The Florentine Tragedy," the last play written by Oscar Wilde, has been found and is now in the hands of a local publishing house, being prepared for publication. "The Florentine Tragedy" is a typical Wilde production, dealing with the wife of a Florentine merchant who yields to the advances of the son of the Duke of Florence, but is afterward reconciled to her husband when the latter overcomes the lover in a duel.